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wast'ing (wăst'ing)

adj.

1. Gradually deteriorating; declining: *the wasting process of erosion*.
2. Sapping the strength, energy, or substance of the body; emaciating: *a wasting disease*.

wast'ing-ly adv.

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Noun 1. **wasting** - any general reduction in vitality and strength of body and mind resulting from a debilitating chronic disease

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[debility](#), [feebleness](#), [frailness](#), [frailty](#), [infirmity](#) - the state of being weak in health or body (especially from old age)

2. **wasting** - a decrease in size of an organ caused by disease or disuse

[atrophy](#), [wasting away](#)

[amyotrophy](#), [amyotrophia](#) - progressive wasting of muscle tissues

[tabes](#) - wasting of the body during a chronic disease

[symptom](#) - (medicine) any sensation or change in bodily function that is experienced by a patient and is associated with a particular disease

[kraurosis](#) - atrophy and shriveling of the skin or mucous membrane

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